

LOCAL NEWS.

FIRE.—The alarm of fire last night about 10 o'clock proceeded from an attempt to burn the house on Market street, Georgetown, occupied by Mr. Ragan as a grocery and liquor store, which, it is said, was first rubbed, and then fired. It was fortunately discovered before getting much headway, and the flames were extinguished with but little damage to the property.

We are requested to state that the proposed Whig procession and illumination in Bladensburg, Prince George's county, has been postponed to a further day, of which public notice will be given.

That "MEDIUM FALL FASHION HAT" sent us on Saturday by O. Fish & Co is a beautiful specimen of the article he offers to the public. It is light, airy, and substantial, combining all the requisites of a neat and serviceable hat; and, in addition to these recommendations, it is said to be the very identical hat over which the *opons* and *beaver* held so interesting a conversation, in poetry, a short time since. He will please accept our thanks for the favor.

THE RACES.—The races over the Washington course commence to-morrow, and if the weather should prove fair, a numerous company is expected, as we understand the sport will be very fine. We are informed that there are more crack horses present this season than have been here for several years. Mr. Holladay has incurred many new expenses, and we hope he will be liberally patronized. The Jockey Club meet this evening at Brown's Hotel.

THE LADIES OF THE CENTRAL FEMALE FREE SCHOOL will hold a sale of useful and fancy articles, commencing on Tuesday, Oct. 28th, and continuing each day and evening throughout the week. The ladies solicit the patronage of the benevolent to aid them in supporting a school in which from sixty to eighty destitute female children are daily instructed without charge.

The sale will be held at the school room in the basement of the Fourth Presbyterian Church on Ninth street.

CLAY CLUB OF GEORGETOWN.—A special meeting of this Club, and all others who desire to participate in the festival at Leesburg, will be held this evening at the Council Chamber. A full attendance is desired.

O. M. LINTHICUM,
President.

The Clay Club will meet this evening at the Club House at 7 1/2 o'clock.

CORPORATION OF WASHINGTON.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 1844.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

Present: Messrs. Barclay, Magruder, Wilson, Orme, Adams, (President), Beck, Brady, Byington, Thornly.

Mr. BARCLAY, from the Committee of Claims, reported without amendment the bill for the relief of David A. Baird; and it was read the third time and passed.

Mr. THORNTON introduced the following resolution: Resolved, That an election be held on Saturday, 12th October next, in the Sixth Ward of this city, for one member of the Board of Aldermen, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Edward W. Clark, Esq., and that this Board now proceed to elect three persons to act as judges of said election agreeably to the regulations of this city charter.

Which resolution was read and adopted; and the Board then proceeded by ballot to the election of the judges, and upon counting the ballots it was declared that the following gentlemen were duly elected, viz: Noble Young, Robert Clarke, and Lewis Newman.

Mr. BARCLAY, from the Committee of Claims, reported a bill for the relief of Thomas J. Earhart; which was read three times and passed.

Mr. WILSON introduced a resolution authorizing the two Boards to assemble in joint meeting on Monday next for the election of Police Magistrates; which was read three times and passed.

The bill from the Board of Common Council authorizing payment to be made for the removal of two nuisances in the Third Ward was taken up, read twice, and referred to the Committee on Improvements.

The bill from the Board of Common Council authorizing the curbstone to be set and the footway paved on the west side of 8th street west, between the open space and M street north, was taken up, read twice, and referred to the Committee on Improvements.

On motion of Mr. WILSON, the Board resumed the consideration of the bill regulating the weight and quality of bread.

Mr. BECK then moved to amend the bill by striking out the second section and inserting the following in lieu of it:

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That if any baker or other person shall make or bake any bread for sale, or any baker or vendor of bread shall sell or expose for sale any bread deficient in weight according to the assize made and prescribed as follows, to wit: First size, twelve ounces; second size, eighteen ounces; third size, twenty-four ounces; fourth size, thirty-six ounces; fifth size, forty-eight ounces; such baker or other person so offending, on conviction thereof, shall forfeit and pay the sum of one dollar for every loaf so sold, or exposed for sale, or found in his or her possession; and, in addition thereto, all such bread shall be forfeited for the use of the Asylum, and it shall be the duty of the Police Magistrate to make known to the Mayor the name or names of the offenders, and the Register is directed to publish the names of all such offenders. Provided, however, That in giving a decision by the Magistrate he shall make a reasonable allowance for the staleness or loss of weight by drying.

And the question being taken by yeas and nays, it was decided in the negative, as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Barclay, Magruder, Wilson, Orme, Adams, Brady, and Byington—7.

The bill was then further amended, and read the third time, and passed by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Barclay, Magruder, Wilson, Orme, Adams, Beck, Brady, and Byington—8.

NAY—Mr. Thornly—1.

The bill from the Board of Common Council making an appropriation for the further improvement and repair of the Washington Canal was taken up, and having been twice read,

Mr. BRADY moved to amend it by making an appropriation of \$3.00 for the improvement of the basin south of N street south; but before he got to the question was interrupted by Mr. MAGRUDER, who moved to refer the bill to the Committee on Improvements; and the question being taken, by yeas and nays, it was decided in the affirmative.

The bill from the Board of Common Council for the repair of 14th street west was taken up, twice read, and referred to the Committee on Improvements.

The bill from the Board of Common Council authorizing the curbstone to be set and the footway paved on the north side of M street south, from 7th to 11th streets east, was taken up, read three times, and passed.

Mr. WILSON, from the Committee on Improvements, reported without amendment the bill from the Board of Common Council, authorizing the curbstone to be set and the footway paved on the west side of 8th street west, between the open space and M street north; and it was then read the third time, and passed.

Mr. WILSON, from the same committee, reported with-

out amendment the bill authorizing the curbstone to be set and the footway paved on the east side of 9th street east, from M street to Georgia avenue, and it was then read the third time and passed.

Mr. MAGRUDER, from the Committee on the Asylum, made a report of the number of persons received at the Asylum during the month of July last.

Mr. WILSON, from the Committee on Public Schools, reported a bill entitled "An act for establishing another public school in the city of Washington, and for other purposes."

Mr. ORME then moved that the Board adjourn; and the question being taken, by yeas and nays, it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Barclay, Wilson, Orme, Adams, Beck, Brady, Byington, and Thornly—8.

NAY—Mr. Magruder—1.

And the Board adjourned.

BOARD OF COMMON COUNCIL.

All the members present except Messrs. Harrison and Jones.

JOHN KEDGLIE, Esq., member elect from the Fourth Ward, to supply the vacancy occasioned by the death of Wm. Hicks, appeared, was duly qualified, and took his seat.

Mr. JOHNSON, presented the petition of W. B. Berryman and others, for the improvement of 12th street west, south of Maryland avenue; which was referred to the Committee on Improvements.

Mr. TOWERS presented the petition of Wm. Ginton and others, praying the improvement of Louisiana avenue and D street, between 4th and 6th streets west; which was referred to the Committee on Improvements.

Mr. PATTERSON presented the petition of Wm. McCarty, praying permission to erect a blacksmith's shop on lot 1, in square 738; which was referred to the Committee on Police.

Mr. WILSON, from the Committee on Improvements, to which was referred the petitions of Wm. D. Acken and others, reported bills entitled "An act authorizing the curbstone to be set and footway paved on the north side of M street south, from 7th to 11th street west," and "An act authorizing the curbstone to be set and footway paved on the east side of 9th street east, from M street to Georgia avenue;" which were severally read three times and passed.

And from the same committee, to whom were referred the petitions of Thomas Blagden and others, and of Peter F. Bacon and others, concerning the graduation of the alley in square 533, asked to be discharged from the further consideration of the same.

Mr. TOWERS, from the Committee on Improvements, to which was referred the petition of Henry Freeman and others, reported a bill entitled "An act making an appropriation for a gravel footwalk on 4th street west, from I street north to New York avenue," which was read twice.

Mr. WILSON, from the Committee on Improvements, to whom were referred the bills from the Board of Aldermen for constructing a main in the Second Ward, and "An act for grading and graveling H street north and 13th street west, in the Second Ward," reported the same without amendment.

Mr. FULMER, from the Committee of Claims, to which was referred the petition of George Savage, asked to be discharged from its further consideration.

Mr. HALIDAY moved that the petition be recommitted, with instructions to report a bill for the relief of the petitioner; which motion was agreed to by the following vote:

YEAS—Messrs. Davis, Johnson, Haliday, King, Towers, Kedglie, Burche, Queen, and Cull—9.

NAYS—Messrs. Johnson, Phillips, McCauley, Neal, Fulmer, and Bacon—7.

Mr. HALIDAY, from the Committee on Police, to which was referred a resolution on the subject, reported a bill entitled "An act supplementary to an act approved October 2, 1841, entitled 'An act to regulate markets,'" which was read twice, and laid upon the table, and seventy-five copies ordered to be printed.

Mr. TOWERS, from the special committee on the new Almshouse, to which an estimate on the subject had been referred, reported a bill entitled "An act making an appropriation for the completion of the new Almshouse as recommended by the Commissioners appointed to superintend the erection of said building."

The bill from the Board of Aldermen to provide for the payment of certain claims against the Fourth Ward, was taken up, read twice, and referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

The bill from the Board of Aldermen making an appropriation for painting the room of the Board of Aldermen; the bill for improving 4th street east; and the amendment to the same Board making an additional appropriation for the improvement of Maryland avenue, were severally taken up, twice read, and referred to the Committee on Improvements.

On motion, the bill making an appropriation for the further improvement and repairs of the Washington Canal was taken up.

Mr. PHILLIPS moved to amend the bill by adding an appropriation of \$300 for extending the improvement to Virginia avenue; which motion was negatived as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Johnson, Phillips, Kedglie, McCauley, Neal, Fulmer, and Queen—7.

NAYS—Messrs. Wilson, Davis, Johnson, Haliday, King, Towers, Burche, Cull, and Bacon—9.

The bill was then read the third time and passed.

Mr. DAVIS, on leave, introduced a bill making appropriation for certain flag footways in the First Ward; which was read three times and passed.

On motion, the bill for the improvement of 14th street west was taken up, read the third time, and passed.

On motion, the bill entitled "An act to regulate the weight and quality of bread" was taken up;

Mr. HALIDAY moved sundry amendments to the sixth section; which were agreed to.

Mr. TOWERS moved to amend the bill by striking out the sixth section; which motion was disagreed to by the following vote:

YEAS—Messrs. Wilson, Towers, Johnson, Phillips, Kedglie, and Queen—5.

NAYS—Messrs. Davis, Lewis Johnson, Haliday, King, Burche, McCauley, Fulmer, Cull, and Bacon—9.

Mr. TOWERS moved to strike out the 7th section; but, before the question was taken, the bill was, on motion of Mr. WILSON, ordered to lie on the table.

The bill from the Board of Aldermen for the relief of Thomas J. Earhart was taken up, read twice, and referred to the Committee of Claims.

The resolution from the same Board, proposing a joint meeting for the election of police magistrates, was taken up, read, and adopted.

On motion, the bills entitled "An act for laying flag footways in the Second and Third Wards," and "An act for laying flag footways in the Second Ward," were severally taken up, read the third time, and passed.

Mr. BURCHE, on leave, introduced a bill entitled "An act for the repair of the water gutter on 10th street, across H street, in the Third Ward," which was read three times and passed.

On motion, the bill for the repair of the brick culvert on 2d street east was taken up, and on its third reading, the yeas and nays were as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. J. Johnson, Phillips, Kedglie, Fulmer, Queen, and Cull—6.

NAYS—Messrs. Wilson, Davis, Haliday, King, Towers, Burche, and Bacon—7.

Mr. BURCHE moved a reconsideration of the last vote; but, before the question was taken,

The Board, on motion, adjourned.

MARRIED.

On Sunday evening, October 6th, by the Rev. Mr. Phelps, WILLIAM T. JOHNSON, formerly of Baltimore city, to Miss ELIZABETH P. DIXON, of this place.

GLOVES! GLOVES! GLOVES!!!

S. PARKER is now opening the finest and largest collection of Ladies' Paris Kid Gloves, that have ever been offered in any retail house in the United States. Ladies call and see. 277 Gentlemen's Gloves will be opened on Monday, 4th inst. (See adv. b. w. 9th & 10th sts. Oct-7-3uf)

BARGAINS! BARGAINS!!!

I HAVE just opened a large and beautiful stock of Fall and Winter Goods, including the best French, English, and American Goods, to which I invite the attention of the public, and which I am prepared to make up and sell in a tidy and on terms which cannot be surpassed in this city.

My stock of Cloths, Cassimeres, Vestings, Shirts, Bosoms, Collars, Stocks, Gloves, Handkerchiefs, Umbrellas, and other fancy articles, is large, and, having been bought by myself, can be recommended as of the best quality.

I have also opened and intend to keep constantly on hand, at rates as cheap as the cheapest, and of material and workmanship not to be excelled, a large supply of ready made Clothing, to which I invite the attention of the public.

R. W. BATES, Merchant Tailor, Oct-7-1w (Int. & Adv.) Penn. av. near War Dep.

WHIG MEETINGS.

GRAND RALLY OF THE WHIGS OF LOUDOUN.

The Whigs of Loudoun county will hold a Grand Mass Meeting, in a beautiful grove about half a mile southwest of Leesburg, to commence on Tuesday the 15th day of October, 1844, and to continue for two days; to which our fellow citizens of Virginia, Maryland, and the District of Columbia, without distinction of parties, are cordially invited. We promise them a reception which shall be in all respects worthy of the Whig County of the Old Dominion.

BILL OF INTELLECTUAL FARE.

B. W. Leigh, W. C. Rives, J. M. Boies, James Lyons, W. C. Johnson, G. R. Richardson, Chas. H. Pitts, Philip Williams, A. H. Stewart, R. T. Daniel, J. S. Pendleton, Andrew Hunter,

and many other distinguished speakers have been invited and are expected to attend.

Ample provisions will be made on the ground for dining the company, however numerous it may be, and at night, the string-of-the-batches in Leesburg and the neighborhood will all be on the outside.

The ladies are most earnestly solicited to grace the occasion with their presence. A separate table for their accommodation will be spread, and a select committee has been appointed to attend to them.

COMMITTEE OF ARRANGEMENTS.

A GREAT MASS MEETING

Will be held at FRED RICKSBURG, on the 8th day of October next!—Hon. John W. Clayton, Hon. Wm. C. Preston, Hon. Ogden Hoffman, Hon. J. M. S. Causin, Hon. Willis Green, Hon. John White—together with many other prominent Whigs of other States, and all of Virginia's most distinguished Sons, are expected to attend. Ample provision will be made for the accommodation of THOUSANDS!

Come, then, men of ALL parties, and partake of the hospitality of the Whigs of Fredericksburg, and old Spotsylvania—which are freely offered to all our Brethren, Democratic as well as Whig.

Fredericksburg, Va., Sept. 3, 1844.

DENTAL SURGERY.

IN ALL ITS BRANCHES, BY

C. H. VAN PATTEN, M. D.
Pennsylvania Avenue, a few doors west of Brown's Hotel. aug20

DIONYSIUS SHERIFF,

ATTORNEY AT LAW.

BLADENBURG, MD. Oct 4

GREAT REDUCTION.
DAGUERRETYPE MINIATURES taken in the neatest manner and upon the most reasonable terms by J. H. BECK.

Rooms over Stott's Apothecary and Drug Store, corner of 7th street and Pennsylvania avenue, where the public are invited to call and examine the specimens. Oct 3

CASH FOR RAGS!

FROM 2-1-2 to 3-1-2 cents per lb. will be paid for any quantity of clean rags at the Printing Office and Bookbinding of J. C. MCGUIRE, sep20 (Adv't) cor. 10th st. and Penn. avenue.

UNITED STATES HOTEL, WASHINGTON, D.C.
BY TYLER & BIRCH—Subscribers having opened this large and commodious establishment on Pennsylvania avenue, between 3d and 4th streets, on the square next to and west of the railroad depot, invite the attention of the travelling public and community at large to the ample arrangements they have made for their accommodation, and for all things appertaining to their comfort and convenience. The very liberal encouragement which the public extended to Thompson Tyler, while proprietor of the Exchange Hotel, induces him to hope that he may continue to deserve its patronage at the United States Hotel, and he assures them that neither pains nor expense will be spared in his efforts to cater to the tastes of all. This Hotel is one of the largest in the Union, and will accommodate 300 persons. It has numerous private parlors for families, and is but two minutes' walk from the railroad depot, and five from the Capitol.

THOMPSON TYLER,
JAMES H. BIRCH.

NEW FANCY GOODS.

S. PARKER would call the attention of the public to his collection of rich fancy goods just opening, and shall be weekly receiving from now till Christmas, suitable for presents, &c.

Fancy and Pe-fumery store, Penn. av. bth. 9th and 10th streets. Oct-7-3t

MORE NEW GOODS!

AUTUMN FASHIONS.—Splendid Hats and Caps at O. FISH & CO'S—We would invite the attention of buyers to our unusually large fall supply of Goods, consisting in part of black Beaver, Cassimere, Mole-skin, and Brush Hats, of the very finest fabric, and shaped after the latest models now in vogue at the North.

Also, 30 cases fashionable medium and low crown Nutria, Brush, Angola, and Coney Hats, from \$1.50 to \$3. CAPS.

275 dozen gentlemen's, youth's, and infant's Cloth and Velvet Dress Caps, in great varieties and entire new patterns, some as low as 74 cents.

Also, for servants' wear, Sealot, some as low as 18 cents, Hair, Seal, Muskot, Veilvetine, Bush and Glazed Caps. All of which will be sold very low for cash. Wholesale dealers, as usual, supplied upon liberal terms.

Oct-5-3t. O. FISH & Co., Hatters, Brown's Hotel.

LANE & TUCKER, MERCHANT TAILORS.

BEING LEAVE to inform their friends and the public in general that they have just received and are now opening their FALL and WINTER GOODS, embracing as great a variety of the latest and newest styles of French and British

CLOTHS, CASSIMERES, VESTINGS, &c. &c. as the New York market will afford, and they think one of the handsomest and most fashionable assortments they have ever had the pleasure to offer, making their stock at this time large and complete.

We most respectfully invite an early call, as we are now fully prepared to serve all who may favor us with their patronage in our best style, at the shortest notice, cheap for cash or to punctual customers.

Always on hand, a general assortment of Fancy articles for gentlemen's wear. Various fashions just received. Sept-1-dm

FALL FASHIONS AND CAPS.

6 doors west of Brown's Hotel, begs to inform his numerous customers, in town and country, that he has in store one of the most extensive and beautiful assortments of Hats, Caps, and Fur, ever offered for sale in this market.

HATS.

Gentlemen's superfine Beaver, Cassimere, Mole-skin, Russia, and Silk Hats, got up in a superior style, and warranted to retain their shape and color.

Gentlemen's Sporting Hats, Boys' Genoa Hats, new style.

CAPS.

Gentlemen's youth's, and children's Caps of fur, cloth, and velvet, glazed, silk, in about eighty different patterns, at very reduced prices.

Ladies' Riding Caps, new style.

Also, one carton richly embroidered French silk velvet Caps for infants, entirely new in this country. Oct-3-t

JUST RECEIVED.

JAYNE'S EXPECTORANT and Brown's Bronchitis Candy. Just received and for sale by sep18 W. ELIOT & Co., corner F and 12 st.

FOR RENT.
A VERY CONVENIENT and desirable two and a half story Frame dwelling House containing nine rooms, situated on 6th street between E and F streets. Possession given immediately.

NOAH FLETCHER,
E. between 6th and 7th sts.

FOR RENT.
A LARGE two story frame house with brick basement, situated on South B street, corner of 10th street facing the mall. The house has just been put in complete order. Apply to E. EVANS, of Owen, Evans, & Co. Oct-2-6t

HOUSES FOR RENT.

A two story Brick house at the corner of 4th street and Missouri avenue, containing eleven rooms. The house is most pleasantly situated and in a healthy and agreeable neighborhood. The rent is a private and responsible family, will be \$250 per year, but if rented for a boarding house, will be \$300. Possession may be had immediately.

Also, a comfortable Frame house on Massachusetts avenue.

For the latter house inquire of WM. H. WARD, living on 8th street, near the Northern Liberties engine house. For the other inquire of the subscriber near the premises, or at the Lumber Yard on 12th street. sep27 t

FOR RENT.

THE DWELLING over the "CIGAR DIVAN" will be let to a good tenant if early application be made, and a liberal allowance for the board of a single person if desired. sep25

THE CASH SYSTEM.

DRY GOODS! DRY GOODS!! DRY GOODS!!! A great reduction in prices!—143 packages splendid Fall Goods just received at reduced prices, for cash only, at HALL & BROTHERS' opposite Centre Market, between 7th and 8th sts. We have now commenced the cash business, and have reduced the prices of Dry Goods to a much lower standard than has ever before been fixed upon the same quality in this market. Our stock consists, in part, of:

25 pieces rich fall Silks, at 75 cents
25 do extra do do at 62 cents and \$1
22 do black and blue silk Silks, very cheap
ALPACAS AND BOMBASINS
45 pieces fine black and colored Alpaca, at 45 cts.
75 do superfine black and colored Alpaca, at 50, 62, 75 cents, and \$1
30 do superfine black and blue, at 50 and 62 cts.
45 do Bombasins, exceedingly cheap
MOUSSELINES DE LAINE, CASHMERE D'E-
COSSE, AND CRAPE DE SOIE.
60 pieces changeable Mousselines de Laine, at 20 cts.
150 do extra rich do do at 31, 37, 50, and 62 cents
135 do rich Cashmere d'Ecosse, at 37, 50, 62, 75, \$1
SHAWLS
20-8-4 rich embroidered Thibet Shawls
20-8-4 plain Thibet Shawls, with silk fringes
20-8-4 black and colored Silk Shawls
GINGHAMS
50 pieces Manchester Gingham, cheap
LINENCAMBRIC HANDKERCHIEFS, KID
GLOVES, AND HOSIERY
85 dozen ladies' Linencambric Hdks. at 12 cents
65 do superfine do do at 25 cents
35 do hemstitched do do at 50, 62, and 75 cents
30 do ladies' Kid Gloves, at 37, 50, and 62 cents
65 do do do black and white Cotton Hose, very fine, at 12 cents
75 do ladies' superfine black and white do at 18 and 25 cents
100 do ladies' Cashmere ribbed and plain do at 25, 37, 50, and 62 cents
WHITE GOODS.
35 pieces fine white Cambrics, at 20 and 25 cents
60 do superfine do do at 31 and 37 do
20 do fine Swiss Muslins, at 31, 37, and 50 do
LINEN GOODS.
100 pieces Irish Linens, at 31, 37, and 50 cents
45 do table Linens, at 50 and 62 do
100 do 3-4 fine Heckback Diapers, at 16 do
150 do Crash, at 6, 8, and 10 cents
FLANNELS AND CASSINETTS.
500 pieces Cassinets, at 37, 50, 62, 75 cents
200 do Flannels, at 25, 31, and 37 cents
DOMESTIC GOODS.
8,000 yards 4 heavy brown Cottons, at 6 cents
5,000 do 3-4 bleached do do
6,000 do best quality Va. 78 No 1 Osnaburg, 10 cts.
5,000 do Calico, good quality, at 6 cents
8,000 do superfine 1-2 hts Calico, at 10 and 12 cents
2,000 do plaid superfine Cottons, very cheap
5,000 do Full Cloths
2,000 do Negro Blankets
CLOTHS, CASSIMERES, AND VESTINGS.
75 pieces extra fine black, blue, olive, and invisible green Cloths
100 do Cassimeres, extra fine, plain, plaid, striped
65 do Vestings, satins, velvets, and cashmeres
Which we will have made up to order by one of the best Tailors the country can produce: fits guaranteed in all cases.

A LIST OF PRICES.
Fine dress coat, black cloth and other colored cloths \$16
Superfine dress coat do do do 18
Dress coat, best West of England and French \$22 to 25
Coats lined with silk, from 25 to 35
Pants of fine black Cassimere 7
Pants of superfine do 7
Pants of stripe and plaid \$